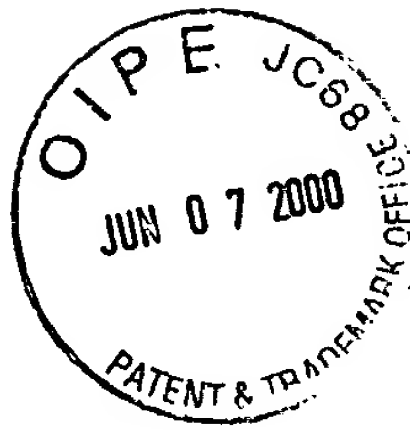


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IN THE U.S. PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Yasuyuki TANAKA et al.

Appl. No.: 08/941,132

Group: 1713

Filed: September 30, 1997

Examiner: Zitomer, F.

For: MODIFIED NATURAL RUBBER

NOTICE OF APPEAL FROM THE
PRIMARY EXAMINER TO THE BOARD OF APPEALS

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, DC 20231

June 7, 2000

Sir:

Applicants hereby appeal to the Board of Appeals from the decision dated December 7, 1999 of the Primary Examiner finally rejecting claims 9-19.

- ☐ The enclosed document is being transmitted via the Certificate of Mailing provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.8.

The applicant(s) hereby petition(s) for an extension of three (3) month(s) pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.17 and 1.136(a).

- ☐ A Statement Claiming Small Entity Status
- ☐ is submitted herewith (☐ original ☐ photocopy).
- ☐ was previously submitted on ____.

The fee has been calculated as shown below:

- ☐ NO extensions of time have been previously obtained for responding to the Final Rejection. Thus a fee of \$0.00 is required for the full period of the above-requested extension of time.

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- ☒ An extension of three (3) month(s) for responding to the Final Rejection was previously requested and paid for on May 11, 2000. Thus a fee of \$0.00 is required to obtain an additional () month(s) for filing the Notice of Appeal.

The Government fee for filing a Notice of Appeal to the Board of Appeals is calculated as follows:

- ☒ Large entity - \$300.00
☐ Small Entity - \$150.00

Therefore, the TOTAL FEE due for the filing of this Notice of Appeal is \$300.00.

Payment of the above TOTAL FEE is being made in the following manner:

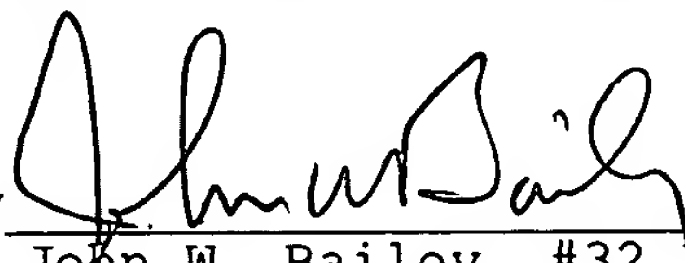
- ☒ A check in the amount of \$300.00 is enclosed.
☐ Please charge Deposit Account No. 02-2448 in the amount of \$0.00. A triplicate copy of this sheet is attached.

If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies, to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-2448 for any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. §§1.16 or 1.17; particularly, extension of time fees.


Respectfully submitted,

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